

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
SHINJI OHNISHI ET AL.	:	Examiner: Hanh N. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/252,925	)	Art Unit: 2662
Filed: February 19, 1999	) :	
For: DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM,	)	
DATA COMMUNICATION METHOD,	:	
DATA COMMUNICATION	)	
APPARATUS AND DIGITAL	:	
INTERFACE	)	June 20, 2005

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner amend the application as follows. The changes to the specification begin on page 2; the changes to the Abstract are reflected on page 9; the claims changes are reflected in the listing that begins at page 11; and the Remarks begin at page 15: